The Ports of Redi in Maharashtra on the West Coast and Kakinada in Andhra Pradesh on East Coast have been selected for providing financial assistance out of the provision of Rs. 20 crores in the 7th Plan.

New Hospital in West Delhi

372. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to construct a new hospital in West Delhi on the lines of the Safdarjung Hospital; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) A 500 bedded Deen Dayal Upadhaya Hospital at Hari Nagar is nearing completion and OPD and Emergency services have been commissioned to provide medical facilities to the residents of West Delhi.

Linking district Headquarters of Orissa with Delhi by STD

373. SHRI BASUDEV MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any scheme to link some important district headquarters of Orissa with Delhi through STD; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the scheme and by when the scheme is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Cuttack is already linked with Delhi through STD. The scheme for the remaining district headquarters comprises of the installation of automatic exchange in replacement of local manual exchanges wherever necessary, provision of stable transmission media and commissioning of Digital Trunk Automatic Exchanges at Cuttack. The scheme is likely to be completed during the 7th Plan period.

Recommendations of D. P. Chattopadhyaya National Commission on Teachers

374. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the recommendations of the D. P. Chattopadhyaya, National Commission on Teachers;

(b) which of them have been accepted, rejected or modified by Government;

(c) what are the teachers' reactions thereto; and

(d) when were the Commission's recommendations submitted to Government and by when the accepted ones are likely to come into force?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) A statement showing the main recommendations of the D. P. Chattopadhyaya National Commission on Teachers is attached. [*See* Appendix CXLIII, Annexure No. 31.]

(b) to (d). The Commission submitted its recommendations on 26-3-85. However, since the National Policy on Education was under finalisation, no final view on these recommendations could be taken. Subsequently the Government had appointed an Empowered Committee under the Chairmanship of the Education Secretary to examine the recommendations made by the National Commission on Teachers I. The Empowered Committee has submitted its proposal concerning pay-scales and a final decision is likely to be taken by the Government shortly.